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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)**

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part...*  
In Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed on April 4, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry and reconsideration of the following items required for compliance with Rule (37 CFR 1.121). The Applicants submit herein a clean version of the replacement paragraphs(s)/section(s) as required under 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii) and a clean version of the amended claims as required as required under 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i).

The Applicants hereby supply the above items which relate to the Preliminary Amendment made with respect to International Application published under the Patent Cooperation Treaty as International Publication Number WO 01 00262 A1 on January 4, 2001. The Applicants' believe the submission to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.